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Professional Experience

- April 2003-Present. Engine Research Scientist in the Engine and Emissions group of the Center for Transportation Research at Argonne National Laboratory
 - Principal Investigator of the X-ray Fuel Spray Project, using X-ray diagnostics to study the fluid mechanics of sprays and fuel / air mixing
- April 1999-March 2003. Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Advanced Photon Source and Center for Transportation Research at Argonne National Laboratory
 - Leading experimental role in the world's first quantitative X-ray measurements of fuel injection
- September 1992-February 1999. Graduate Research Assistant, National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, Michigan State University
 - Studied the reaction dynamics of exotic nuclei at one of the world's leading nuclear physics laboratories

Education

- PhD, Chemical Physics, Michigan State University, 1998
- BS, Chemistry, Indiana University, 1992

Awards

- Co-Author, Best Paper Award, CIMAC/ASME Congress 2004, Kyoto, Japan, June 2004
- Award for Excellence in Oral Presentation, awarded by The Society of Automotive Engineers, July 2004
- Combustion and Emissions Control R&D Award, awarded by the U.S. Department of Energy, May 2002. "In recognition of outstanding achievement in research and development of Diesel Fuel Sprays using X-rays".
- Argonne National Laboratory Director's Award, July 2001, "In recognition
 of opening up a new field for engine and spray research with the potential
 to establish Argonne as the leader in this area"
- Finalist, 2001 Discover Award for Transportation, Discover Magazine, July 2001

- Award for Excellence in Oral Presentation, awarded by The Society of Automotive Engineers, March 2001
- Argonne National Laboratory Pacesetter Award, June 2000

Career Activities & Highlights

- Co-invented high-speed X-ray radiography for the study of fuel injection
 - This invention has led to the establishment of Argonne National Laboratory as the world's leader in this field
- Manage several collaborations with industrial partners in fuel spray research, including the world's leading manufacturers of fuel injection equipment
- Principal Investigator of Argonne's fuel spray research group, which has recently secured dedicated laboratory space at The Advanced Photon Source, guaranteeing experimental access to one of the world's largest Xray sources
- Actively involved in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Internal Combustion Engine Division
- Actively involved in the Society of Automotive Engineers

Publications

Peer Reviewed Publications: 40

• Conference Proceedings: 26

• Publications in press (2009): 2